

Please Direct All Correspondence to Customer Number **20995**

**AMENDMENT / RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

Applicant : Gerdes, et al.  
App. No : 09/700,130  
Filed : December 18, 2001  
For : CYTOTOXIN-BASED BIOLOGICAL  
CONTAINMENT  
Examiner : Albert mark Navarro  
Art Unit : 1645

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

(X) Amendment and Response to Non-Final Office Action in 16 pages.

(X) Exhibit A in 24 pages.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

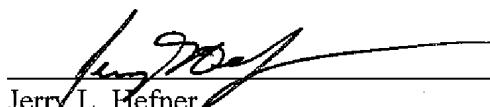
The present application qualifies for Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27.

FEE CALCULATION				
FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Excess Claims	66 - 99 = 0	2202 (\$25)	0 x 25 =	\$0
Excess Independent	7 - 7 = 0	2201 (\$100)	0 x 100 =	\$0
2 Month Extension	1.17(a)(2)	2252 (\$225)		\$225
TOTAL FEE DUE				\$225

(X) An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

(X) Charge \$225 to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

(X) Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

  
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